

STAFFORD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Agenda Consideration

TOPIC: Technology Infrastructure Upgrades **ITEM NO:** 13B

PREPARED BY: H. Charles Woodruff, II **MEETING:** September 14, 2004
Assistant Superintendent **ACTION DATE:** September 14, 2004
for Financial Services

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ACTION REQUESTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT: That the School Board authorize staff to enter into a five-year agreement for technology equipment replacements and technology infrastructural upgrades.

KEY POINTS:

The Fiscal Year 2005 need for technology funding is \$5 million for technology infrastructure updates. This includes computer upgrades to initiate a five-year replacement cycle with an estimated cost of \$3.5 million per year, replacement of aging servers, provision of high-speed Internet access, and updated security systems to provide a multi-layered defense posture against virus attacks that includes hardware, software, and training. The recommendation to leverage our \$.8 million into \$5 million will solve the immediate problem of beginning our five-year replacement cycle and infrastructure upgrade. It does not, however, provide resources necessary to maintain the computer/server replacement cycle or infrastructure upkeep in the out years.

The budget includes \$800,000 which can be used to begin the purchase of technology equipment as described above. Approval of this agenda commits Stafford County Public Schools to local principal and interest payments of approximately \$1.1 million for the next five years (see Attachment).

SCHOOL BOARD GOAL # 2: Integrate technology in support of all instruction, Measurable Objective 2 – By July 2004, the Office of Instructional Technology and Information Services will develop a comprehensive schedule for replacement and maintenance of computers, printers, and supporting infrastructure to support instruction and administrative functions.

FUNDING SOURCE: School Operating Fund

AUTHORIZATION REFERENCE: